

## **NEWS RELEASE**

**Arizona House of Representatives** Representative Kelly Townsend (R-16)

1700 West Washington • Phoenix, Arizona • 85007-2844

Monday, March 13, 2017 FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

## Senate Passes Article V Legislation Sponsored by Representative Kelly Townsend

**STATE CAPITOL, PHOENIX** – House Majority Whip Kelly Townsend today applauded the Arizona Senate for passing legislation that she's sponsored to convene an Article V constitutional convention.

<u>HCR 2010</u> calls on Congress to convene an Article V convention in order to propose amendments to the U.S. Constitution regarding fiscal restraint, limited federal power, and term limits on members of Congress. HCR 2010 passed the House on February 9<sup>th</sup> by a vote of 31 to 27.

"The Framers of the Constitution provided states with this important check on federal power," said Representative Townsend. "The U.S. Congress has demonstrated its inability to rein in federal spending or limit the size and scope of the federal government, so it's time the states exercised this power and did it for them."

"Today's passage in the Senate is a huge victory for Arizona taxpayers, and I thank the grassroots activists who have worked tirelessly to make an Article V convention a reality."

In order to convene a constitutional convention, the U.S. Congress must receive applications from the legislatures of two-thirds of the states.

###

## **CONTACT:**

Matthew Specht
Director of Communications
House Majority Staff
602-926-5518
mspecht@azleg.gov